

Docket No. 207187US2

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Sakae ISHIKAWA, et al.

SERIAL NO: 09/848,764

FILED: May 4, 2001

FOR: METHOD OF AND SYSTEM FOR MANAGING RACK OPERATION, METHOD OF AND SYSTEM FOR MANAGING MULTISTAGE RACK, ARTICLE CONVEYANCE AND STORAGE DEVICE, AND COMPUTER PRODUCT

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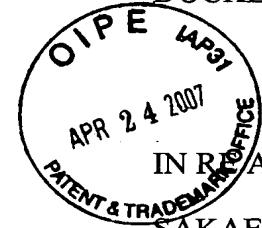
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AMENDMENT

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Responsive to the Office Action mailed January 24, 2007, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 22 of this paper.

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